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TAGS: PBOR ETRN, IS, SA

SUBJECT: ISRAELI OVERFLIGHTS OF SAUDI TERRITORY

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EMBASSY TEL AVIV SHOULD BRING TO ATTENTION OF GOI REPORT
CONTAINED IN REFTEL OF OVERFLIGHT SAUDI TERRITORY MORNING
MARCH 1 BY TWO ISRAELI AIRCRAFT NEAR MAGNA. EMBASSY
SHOULD STATE THAT ALTHOUGH SAG HAS NOT ASKED USG RAISE THIS
WITH ISRAELI GOVERNMENT, WE ARE BECOMING INCREASINGLY CON-
CERNED OVER NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS WE HAVE RECEIVED FROM THE
SAUDIS OF ISRAELI OVERFLIGHTS IN THIS GENERAL AREA. YOU
SHOULD INDICATE THAT IN THE PAST YEAR SAUDIS HAVE BROUGHT
TO OUR ATTENTION ISRAELI OVERFLIGHTS IN THE HAQL/ MAGNA
AREA ON MARCH 8 AND 9, MAY 15, JUNE 15 AND 16 AND
NOVEMBER 21, 1972. YOU SHOULD NOTE EARLIER ASSURANCES WE
HAVE RECEIVED THAT SUCH OVERFLIGHTS ARE CONTRARY TO IDF
STANDING ORDERS AND REMIND THE ISRAELIS IMPORTANCE OF NOT
CREATING UNNECESSARY IRRITANT FOR SAUDI ARABIA WITH WHOM
WE HAVE CLOSE AND FRIENDLY RELATIONS. ROGERS

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